



Grand prix SUD DRAGON EN CAMARGUE

14th to 18th October 2020

Organising Authority :

SOCIETE NAUTIQUE DU GRAU DU ROI - PORT CAMARGUE

Sailing Instructions

COVID 19 preamble

The organizing authority reserves the right to amend the Notice of Race and/or these Sailing Instructions if some modifications are desirable, either concerning the logistic organization, or for the safety and / or the event sportsmanship, according to constraints related to exceptional measures to combat the spread of the virus.

In addition to the use of barrier gestures prescribed by the French government, the SNGRPC (Société Nautique de Grau du Roi-Port Camargue) is setting up a health protocol for given out to any person (organizers, race officials, sailors and support person) acting within the organization/sportive participation to the “Grand prix SUD DRAGON en CAMARGUE”, and available in addendum “Health protocol”.

Any infringement by a competitor or by a support person to this health protocol, may be subject to a protest by the Jury for infringement to RRS 69. This modifies RRS 69.

[DP] denotes that a penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

[NP] denotes that the rule cannot be grounds for a protest or a request for redress.

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by:

1.1 the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

1.2 The prescriptions of the FF Voile as translated for foreign competitors in Addendum “National

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Prescriptions”.

1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the French text will take precedence.

1.4 RRS Appendix T – Arbitration will apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS [DP]

As far as possible, notices to competitors will not be posted, on the official notice board located in front of the SNGRPC.

The official notice board may be used in exceptional circumstances, with the use of code flag “L” according to RRS “Race signals - Other signal”

Notices will be transmitted by e-mail and sent to each skipper on the mail address indicated at registration.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least two hours before the scheduled start on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE (DP)

4.1 Signals ashore will be displayed on the flagpole in front of the SNGRPC.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 45 minutes” in the race signal AP. (this change “Race Signals”).

Competitors shall stay ashore as long as this signal is displayed.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Registration and equipment control and measurement

Date	Registration and measurement
Wednesday October 14	13:30 to 19:00
Thursday October 15	08:00 to 12:00

5.2 Haul in, haul out: see article 25

5.3 Skippers briefing, subject to Covid 19 health protocol:

Thursday October 15 in front of the SNGRPC.

Briefings will take place outdoors or in a large enough and ventilated place to accommodate participants within the health protocol regulations, and limit as much as possible the number of participants = One representative per boat.

5.4 Dates and times of races:

Date	First warning signal
Thursday October 15	14:00
Friday October 16	11:00
Saturday October 17	11:00
Sunday October 18	11:00

5.5 No more than three races will be sailed per day.

However, one more race may be sailed per day, on the condition of:

- the series would be more than one race behind schedule,
- the alteration being posted according to SI 3

5.6 On Sunday October 18, no warning signal will be made after 15:00 hrs.

6 CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the Class insignia.

7 COURSE AREA

Addendum 2 “Racing area” shows the location of the racing area in Aigues Mortes Bay.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagrams in Addendum 3 “The Courses” show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be rounded and the side on which each mark is to be left. *(NP)*
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the principal race committee will display the compass bearing and the approximate length of the first leg of the course. *(NP)*
- 8.3 No later than the warning signal, the principal race committee will display the flag indicating the number of the course to be sailed.

Course	Signal
Course 1	White flag with number 1 in black
Course 2	White flag with number 2 in black

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Starting mark on the port end Committee vessel displaying an orange flag
Starting mark on the starboard end Principal RC vessel displaying course signals
Marks 1, 2, 3B & 3T Red conical buoy
Change of course mark Yellow cylindrical buoy
Finishing marks RC vessel displaying course signals and white conical buoy
- 9.2 A race committee vessel signalling a change of course is a mark.

10 RESERVED

11 THE START

- 11.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks (see § 9.1).
- 11.2 To inform boats that a race will soon be started, an orange flag will be displayed on the RC vessels at each end of the line no later than 5 minutes before the warning signal is displayed.
- 11.3 A boat that does not start within four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 12.2 Except at a gate they have to sail through, boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. This changes RRS 28.1.
- 12.3 In case of a change of course, the new course will, if practicable, keep the original configuration. *(NP)*

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark, and the course side of the finishing mark.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 RRS 44.1 and P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 14.2 Appendix P will apply changed as follows: RRS P2.3 will not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.
- 14.3 The penalty for a breach of a rule other than RRS 28 and 31 and those in Part 2 may, after a hearing, vary between 10% of the number of boats entered in the series and disqualification.
- 14.4 If the jury afloat witnesses an incident for which a boat is protesting another one, a green flag will be displayed and a whistle sounded, which means “The jury is a witness”.
It is then up to the competitors to take the appropriate action.

15 TARGET TIME AND TIME LIMITS

15.1

Target time	Time limit for mark 1	Time limit to finish
60 minutes	30 minutes	80 minutes

- 15.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the time limit for mark 1, the race will be abandoned. This changes 32.1(d)
- 15.3 Failure to reach the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 15.4 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the SNGRPC Race Office.
- 16.2 Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 16.4 Notices will be posted within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
Hearings will be held in the Jury room located in the vicinity of the SNGRPC.
Hearings will if possible, start at the time posted on the official board. A delay in this time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
Hearings and/or arbitrations may be conducted before the end of the protest time limit if all parties agree.
- 16.5 Notices of protest by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.6 A list of boats that, under SI 14, have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.
- 16.7 Breaches of the following SIs shall not be grounds for a protest boat vs boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a) [DP].
- Safety regulations;
 - Advertising;
 - Support boats.
- 16.8 On the last scheduled racing day; a request for reopening based on a jury decision shall be lodged no later than 30 minutes after the decision has been posted (this changes RRS 62.2).

17 SCORING

- 17.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.2 Boat's series score:**
- 17.2.1 When *less than five races* have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her scores in all the races.
- 17.2.2 When *five or more races* have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her scores in all the races discarding her worst score.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP] (This changes RRS A5)

- 18.1 Before the starting procedure in the first race of the day, boats shall, while sailing on starboard tack, pass behind the principal race committee vessel and make sure they have been acknowledged. Boats failing to report may be protested by the RC.
- 18.2 A boat that retires from racing or intends not to start shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 18.3 VHF channel is 77.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- Requests for substitutions are to be made in writing/@ for the relevant committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless written approval of the technical committee.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP]

- 20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.
- 20.2 On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the technical committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21 IDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING (DP)

When provided by the organizing authority, boats shall carry or display the following as instructed:

- 21.1 Event advertising stickers received at registration. Stickers shall be affixed on both sides of the hull, approximately 40cm from the bow.
- 21.2 Cameras and sound equipment, and tracking and timing system equipment
- 21.3 This non-compulsory equipment will be given at registration with a 150€ deposit. It will be handed back to the OA when craning out, and the deposit will be restituted.
- 21.4 Taking such equipment aboard shall not be grounds for redress, whatever the reason.

22 OFFICIAL BOATS]

- 22.1 Official boats will be marked as follows:

Race committee	SNGRPC flag
Rescue	SNGRPC flag
Jury	Yellow flag with letters 'Jury'
Media, partners	« SUD DRAGON » flag

23 SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

- 23.1 Support Boats shall not be positioned less than 150 m from the racing area since the preparatory signal until all the boats have finished or retired, or the RC signals a general recall or an abandonment.
- 23.2 Towing of competitor boats is forbidden
 - To go to the racing area;
 - Before the last boat has finished the last race of the day for returning ashore
- 23.3 Support boats shall not have physical contact with their accompanied boats between races on the same day.
- 23.4 Support boats shall register in the Club's race office no later than the competitors' registration time limit. They will be identified by a yellow pennant provided on registration.
- 23.5 For safety reasons:
 - All support boats shall permanently watch VHF channel 77 when afloat;
 - Any unidentified support boat shall be taken out of the racing area.

24 TRASH DISPOSAL [DP]

RRS 55 applies.

25 HAUL-IN – MOORING – HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS [DP]

- 25.1 All boats shall be afloat at the latest on Thursday October 15, 12:00.
- 25.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with, and according to, the terms of prior written permission of the technical committee.
- 25.3 Hauling out at the end of the event will start after the last race, according to an order posted at latest on October 17, 8:00 PM

26 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS [DP]

Underwater breathing apparatus (including snorkels) plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used below the waterline between Thursday October 15, 12:00 and the end of the regatta except with prior written permission of the race committee.

27 RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. The RC may broadcast information available to all competitors on channel 77.

A boat may use a VHF radio in accordance with class rule 11.11.1.

28 PRIZES

The results and the prizes presentation will take place during the gala dinner starting at 18:30 on Friday October 18.

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

- Three first scored boats;
- Additional prizes for drawn by lot boats.

29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

29.1 According to RRS, Appendix L.29, competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.

The Organizing Authority (including the Fédération Française de Voile, the Association France Dragon, the Société Nautique du Grau du Roi – Port Camargue, the Race Committee, the Technical Committee, the Jury, their employees or volunteers or partners) will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

1. 29.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - e) The provision of a race management team, support vessels and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - f) The provision of support vessel cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
 - g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any competitor briefing held for this event.

2.

30 INSURANCE

Each foreign competitor not holding an FF Voile license shall produce proof of being insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of EURO 2 000.000 per incident or the equivalent and shall produce a medical (each crew member) showing ability to sail in competition conditions (see NoR § 3.3.3).

31 ADDENDUMS

ADDENDUM	“HEALTH PROTOCOL”
ADDENDUM	“NATIONAL PRESCRIPTIONS” translated for foreign competitors
ADDENDUM 1	“REGATTA HARBOUR”
ADDENDUM 2	“RACING AREA”
ADDENDUM 3	“THE COURSES”

32 OFFICIALS

Chairman of the Organizing Committee Christian CHARREE

Officials appointed by the Organizing Authority and FFVoile

Principal Race Officer	Paul BASTARD	(IRO World Sailing)
RO	Denis REYNAUD	(Regional RO FF Voile)
RO	Cathy POST	(National RO FF Voile)
Jury Chairman	Jean-Claude BORNES	(IJ World Sailing)
Member	Alain GOUJON	(FF Voile Regional judge)
Technical Committee Chairman	Jean BREGER	(IDA Sail measurer)
Results	Denis REYNAUD	

ADDENDUM NATIONAL PRESCRIPTIONS

FF Voile Prescriptions to RRS 2017-2020

FF Voile Prescription to **RRS 25** (*Notice of race, sailing instructions and signals*):

For events graded 4 and 5, standard notices of race and sailing instructions including the specificities of the event shall be used. Events graded 4 may have dispensation for such requirement, after receipt of FFVoile approval, received before the notice of race has been published.

For events graded 5, posting of sailing instructions will be considered as meeting the requirements of RRS 25.1 application.

(*) FF Voile Prescription to **RRS 64.3** (*Decisions on protests concerning class rules*):

The jury may ask the parties to the protest, prior to checking procedures, a deposit covering the cost of checking arising from a protest concerning class rules.

(*) FF Voile Prescription to **RRS 67** (*Damages*):

Any question about or request of damages arising from an incident involving a boat bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing or International Regulation to Prevent Collision at Sea depends on the appropriate courts and cannot be dealt by the jury.

(*) FF Voile Prescription to **RRS 70.5** (*Appeals and requests to a national authority*):

The denial of the right of appeal is subject to the written authorization of the Fédération Française de Voile, received before publishing the notice of race. This authorization shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

(*) FF Voile Prescription to **RRS 78.1** (*Compliance with class rules; certificates*):

The boat's owner or other person in charge shall, under his sole responsibility, make sure moreover that his boat complies with the equipment and security rules required by the laws, by-laws and regulations of the Administration.

(*) FF Voile Prescription to **RRS 86.3** (*Changes to the racing rules*):

An organizing authority wishing to change a rule listed in RRS 86.1(a) in order to develop or test new rules shall first submit the changes to the FF Voile, in order to obtain its written approval and shall report the results to FFVoile after the event. Such authorization shall be mentioned in the notice of race and in the sailing instructions and shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

(*) FF Voile Prescription to **RRS 88** (*National prescriptions*):

Prescriptions of the FF Voile shall neither be changed nor deleted in the notice of race and sailing instructions, except for events for which an international jury has been appointed.

In such case, the prescriptions marked with an asterisk (*) shall neither be changed nor deleted in the notice of race and sailing instructions. (The official translation of the prescriptions, downloadable on the FFVoile website www.ffvoile.fr, shall be the only translation used to comply with RRS 90.2(b)).

(*) FF Voile Prescription to **RRS 91(b)** (*Protest committee*):

The appointment of an international jury meeting the requirements of Appendix N is subject to prior written approval of the Fédération Française de Voile. Such authorization shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

FF Voile Prescription to **APPENDIX R** (*Procedures for appeals and requests*):

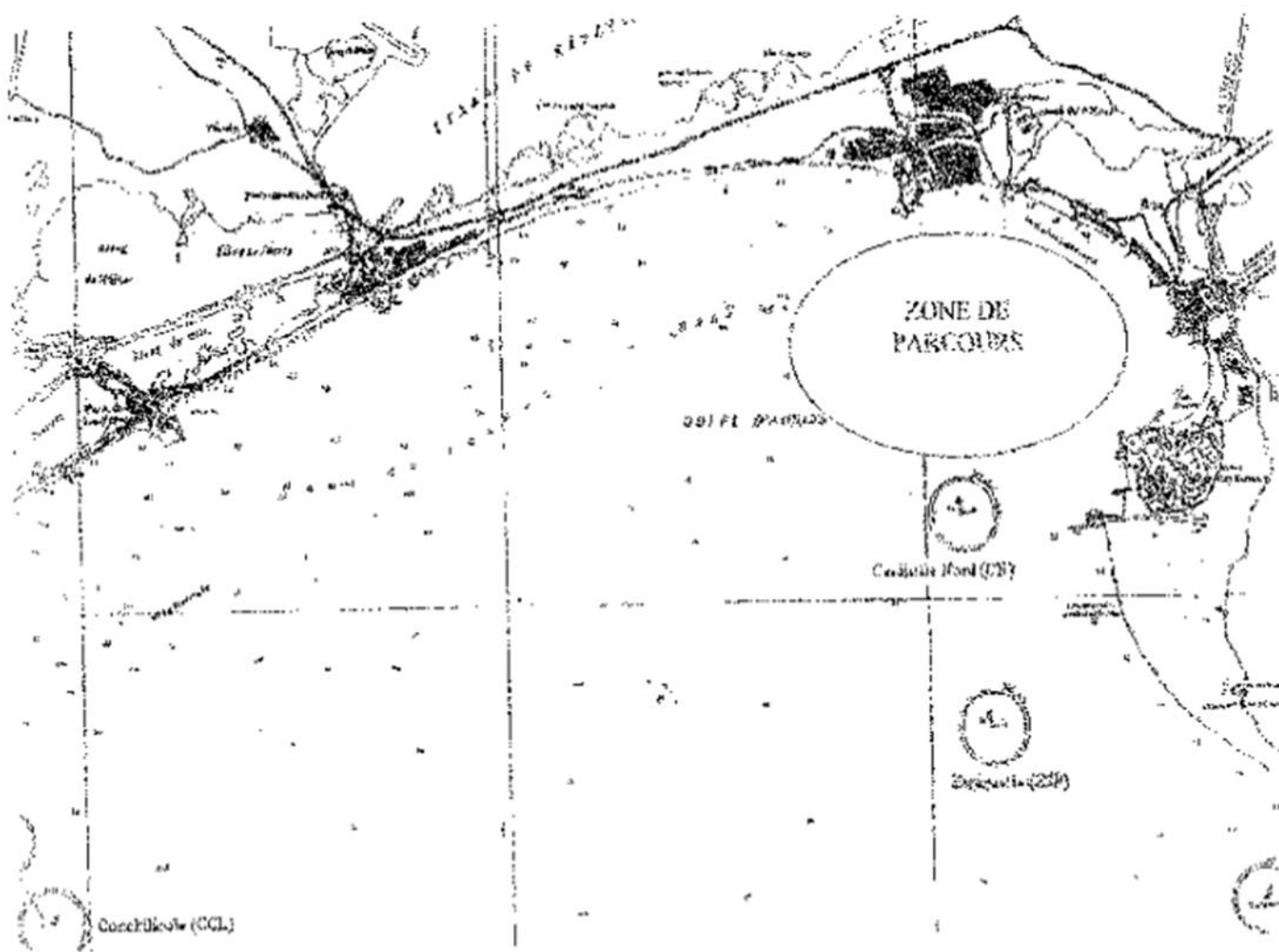
Appeals shall be sent to the head-office of Fédération Française de Voile, 17 rue Henri Bocquillon, 75015 Paris – email: jury.appel@ffvoile.fr, using preferably the appeal form downloadable on the website of Fédération Française de Voile: http://www.ffvoile.fr/ffv/web/services/arbitrage/jury_appel.asp

ADDENDUM 1 : « REGATTA HARBOUR »



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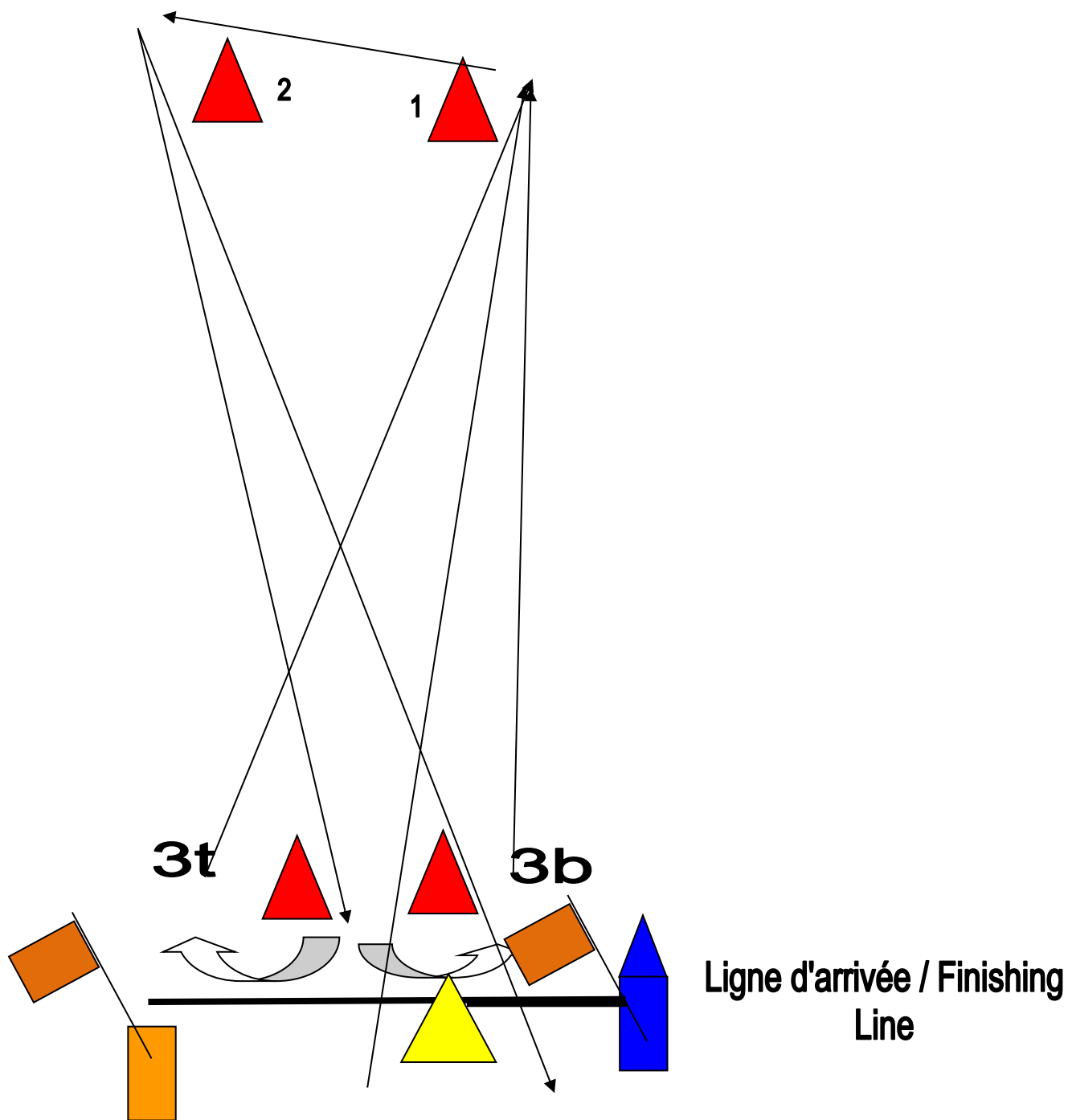


VENT / WIND



ANNEXE 3 PARCOURS N°1

Départ - 1 - 2 - 3b/3t - 1 - 2 - Arrivée



Ligne de départ / Starting
Line

Rappel : IC Art 9
Bouées 1, 2, 3b et 3t : bouées coniques rouges.
Bouée arrivée : bouée conique jaune
Bouée changement de parcours : bouée cylindrique blanche

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ANNEXE 3 PARCOURS N°2

Départ - 1 - 2 - 3b/3t - 1 - 2 - 3b/3t - Arrivée

